



WychwoodBenefice

Church News 29 September – 6 October 2019

Our Vision: To build God's Kingdom here on earth as in heaven

SUNDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2019 TRINITY 15

11.00am Fifield United Benefice Holy Communion

PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect Lord God, defend your Church from all false teaching and give to your people knowledge of your truth, that we may enjoy eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings: (Year C) Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

First Reading | Timothy 6:6-19 As we can't take it with us, wealth should be used to help others rather than pursued for its own sake. Generosity enriches our lives now and prepares us for eternal life.

Gospel Luke 16:19-31 Like many even after the resurrection of Jesus, the rich man had ignored God's clear instructions to help the needy. Failure to acknowledge such guilt keeps us at a distance from God's generous love.

Prayer List: Hostage John Cantlie, David Trollope, Shauni McGregor, Mark Forsbrey, Emma Bradford and Wendy Cherry.

Baptisms: Millie-Mae McCarthy will be baptized on Sunday 6 October in Milton church at 1pm.

Weddings and Banns: We pray for all the couples recently married and getting married in the benefice this summer.

R.I.P.: Pat Edginton and Marjorie Kingdon.

Funerals: There will be a Service of Thanksgiving for Pat Edginton on Tuesday 1 October, 2.30pm in Milton church.

SUNDAY 6 OCTOBER 2019 TRINITY 16

11.00am Shipton United Benefice Holy Communion

PRAYERS AND READINGS

Collect Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to your wonders, that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Today's Readings (Year C) Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

First Reading 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Paul greets Timothy as an ideal minister, true to the Gospel, not through his own, or Paul's, activity but through faithful attendance to God's grace.

Gospel Luke 17:5-10 While the disciples are concerned with the quantity of faith Jesus focuses on quality, then debunks the idea that a good deed deserves a reward.

Readings for Harvest Festivals

Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Moses instructs the children of Israel that when they enter the Promised Land they must offer to God the first fruits of the land and ask for God's blessing upon the harvest.

John 6:25-35 Jesus declares that he is the "Living Bread" that comes down from heaven.

Notices

Benefice Appeal for Open Doors

Kathleen Walker is moving away from the area and so is no longer able to be the Open Doors liaison. Is anyone able to take on this task? Contact Kathleen for further details. 07949063322 or Kmwalker109@gmail.com

Diary Date: There will be a special St Frideswide Pilgrimage on Saturday 19 October 2019.

We're offering a range of guided walks of varying lengths, bringing pilgrims in to the city of Oxford from all points of the compass and all corners of the diocese. Each of the routes ends at Christ Church Cathedral on the Saturday afternoon. For more information and to book go to:

<https://www.chch.ox.ac.uk/visiting-and-learning/pilgrimage>

Harvest Festivals

This year we are supporting our local food bank – North Oxfordshire Community Foodbank. All donations are gratefully received but to find out exactly what they are collecting at the moment visit their website:

<http://www.northoxfordshirecommunityfoodbank.org.uk/home/4540547179>

We will once again be supporting Helen and Douglas House with our fresh harvest produce.

Harvest Festival Dates:

Shipton Harvest Festival Sunday 13 October 11am followed by a bring and share lunch.

Fifield Harvest Festival Sunday 13 October 11am (supper Saturday 12 October, tickets 831881).

All Saints' and All Souls' United Benefice Service

Sunday 3 November, 11am Shipton Church

We will once again be reading out the names of those who have died recently and remembering other departed loved ones we hold dear at this special service. During the service, there will also be an opportunity to light a candle in memory of your own loved ones. If you would like to add someone to the list of those to be remembered please email office@wychwoodbenefice.org.uk or leave a message in the Benefice Centre by 29 October or write it on the sheets which will be in each of the churches until 28 October.

Dorchester Archdeaconry Common Vision Conference

Saturday 9 November at Marlborough School, Woodstock 8.45am-1pm

This event is an important occasion in the life of the Dorchester Archdeaconry.

Across our time together we shall be led by Bishop Steven Croft in a bible study on Acts 20, and hear from the Chief Executive of Oxfordshire County Council of the county's vision for Oxfordshire and the important role that Partnership Working has to play.

There will be examples of how mission is occurring in fresh ways around the Archdeaconry, and more information will be available on the Parish Planning Tool and the Development Fund and how they can support the development of mission in our context.

It is hoped that by the end of the morning we shall be further encouraged and inspired by the potential of our common vision of being a more Christ-like Church for the sake of God's world.

The event is free but places are limited. Book online now at:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/dorchester-archdeaconry-common-vision-conference-tickets-67467941429>

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Readings 13 October Trinity 17

2 Timothy 2:8-15, Gospel Luke 17:11-19 (Year C).

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